



Summer Food Service Program



Bulletin

Child Nutrition Programs

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To view previous USDA policy memos, visit:
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/policy>

Additional Topics:

- 2017 SFSP Reimbursement Rates
- 2017 Training Reminder
- An Intergenerational Summer
- Upcoming Webinars & Conference Calls

Program changes as a result of USDA Policy Memos are to be implemented immediately. Please file this bulletin for reference, guidance and compliance with the Summer Food Service Program. Feel free to call the Child Nutrition Programs office if you need further clarification.

Additional Topics

- **2017 SFSP Reimbursement Rates**

The 2017 reimbursement rates have been posted on the federal register. Rural and self-preparation sites will receive these reimbursement rates:

- Breakfast - \$3.5400
- Lunch/Supper - \$6.2075
- Snack - \$1.4700

- **Reminder! 2017 SFSP Annual Training**

Annual training is required in order to be an eligible sponsor and receive reimbursement in summer 2017.

- Distance training via WebEx for all non-school sponsors, new and returning, will be held on **Thursday, April 13, 2017.**
- Distance training via WebEx for all school district sponsors, new and returning, will be held on **Thursday, April 20, 2017.**
- In person training will be held in Anchorage at the **BP Energy Center at 900 E. Benson Blvd.** on **Tuesday, May 2, 2017.** This is an all-day training for new and returning sponsors. The [Residence Inn Marriott](#) is across the parking lot if you need hotel accommodations.

Please submit [training registration](#), found on our website, to Cyde.Coil@alaska.gov by March 31, 2017. WebEx login and dial-in information will be sent out via email prior to the training date(s).

- **An Intergenerational Summer**

Intergenerational learning is beneficial to both children and older adults. Explore ways that can encourage these connections at your Summer Meal sites!



- Adult Meal Service Providers as Summer Sites

Our organization can partner with organizations that serve meals to older adults to provide Summer Meals to children. [Read](#) about how Horizons, an organization that was participating in Meals on Wheels, began serving meals to children through SFSP!

- Recruiting Volunteers

Volunteers can help with outreach, supervision, meal preparation, and activities. Check out AARP's [Create the Good](#) and the Corporation for National and Community Service's [Senior Corps](#) to find older volunteers who will not only help make your program a success, but will let participating children learn more about the importance of elders in their lives.

- **Upcoming SFSP Webinars & Conference Calls**

- No Kid Hungry – Schools as Nutrition Hubs: the Business Savvy Strategy to Reduce Childhood Hunger **Wednesday, March 22nd at 10:00AM AST**. Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry campaign is working to support schools serving as "Nutrition Hubs" within their communities. Nutrition Hubs provide children with access to the full range of child nutrition programs including breakfast, served after the bell, lunch, afterschool suppers, and summer meals. In low-income neighborhoods, where students rely heavily on school meals, the role of the Nutrition Hub holds increased importance. Not only do nutrition hubs meet a need with low-income children, they also facilitate business growth and sustainable financial management techniques for school nutrition directors. In this interactive session, learn tips and how-to lessons from and brainstorm with expert Food Service Directors who operate Nutrition Hubs. Click [here](#) to register.
 - FRAC – Expanding Access in Rural and Tribal Areas **Thursday, April 6th at 9:00AM AST**. Summer meal expansion efforts in rural and tribal areas require creative thinking and cultural competency in order to fill the hunger gap for low-income children. Join us to learn how summer meal champions are coming together to support programming, transportation, and meal delivery in these areas. Click [here](#) to register.

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Commonly Used Acronyms

SFSP – Summer Food Service Program
CNP – Child Nutrition Programs
WRO – Western Region Office
FNS – Food & Nutrition Services
FNSRO-Food & Nut. Services Reg. Office
USDA – U.S. Department of Agriculture
EED – Education & Early Development
DEC – Department of Conservation
LEA – Local Education Agency



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